IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly amend the specification at page 16, paragraph starting at line 17, in particular at line 19 as follows:

The protocol interpreter C 317 also specifies a sequence order for the protocol C PDUs and the SAR decode engine links the circuit flow objects 531, 533, 535 in the specified order as shown by single arrows 587 537 and 539. Thus, the linked circuit flow objects 531, 533, 535 represent a linked list of protocol B PDUs 513, 515, 517 that form one of the circuits 321 or 323 in the communications channel 320. The protocol interpreter C 317 also informs the SAP, decode engine that the middle layer protocol is protocol B.

At page 2, paragraph starting at line 10 as follows:

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